

Abstract

This invention relates to newly identified cancer related polynucleotides and the polypeptides encoded by these polynucleotides herein collectively known as "cancer antigens", or alternatively "cancer related proteins", and the use of such cancer antigens for detecting disorders related to the tissues where these cancer antigens are expressed, particularly the presence of cancer and cancer metastases. This invention relates to cancer antigens as well as vectors, host cells, antibodies directed to cancer antigens and the recombinant methods and synthetic methods for producing the same. Also provided are diagnostic methods for detecting, treating, preventing and/or prognosing disorders related to the tissues where these cancer antigens are expressed, and therapeutic methods for treating such disorders. The invention further relates to screening methods for identifying agonists and antagonists of cancer antigens of the invention. The present invention further relates to inhibiting the production and function of the polypeptides of the present invention.